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triumphal music, and a mimic procession, clad in gorgeous robes, moved into view from one of the hidden aisles. At the head of this cortege walked an old man wearing a triple crown, who, as the bell tolled for the second time, ascended the steps of the smaller throne. It was the coronation performed by the automatons.

Napoleon looked on with unusual in-terest. "Confess, Fouche," said he, "that this is as admirable in its way as

fect."
The Emperor smiled and remained silent. Meanwhile Fouche was revolving a dilemma in his mind with the rapidity a dilemma in his mind with the rapidity of one accustomed to act in dangerous crises. There are situations in which a slight vantage in the hands of a dangerous man may set at naught the strength of thousands, and in which the most extraordinary means must be employed to secure what are apparently trifling results. Fouche adopted the course which seemed at first most speedily practicable, since the consideration of first importance was, in this instance, time.

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"Your Majesty" said he, advancing
and speaking rapidly, "may I request
your immediate attendance in your cabinet for a matter of utmost consequence -a matter which will not permit of a

moment's delay?"

The Emperor turned in surprise and frowned. Chavarri looked up sulfenly and silently, and made a suspicious movement toward his clock. With the rapidity of thought Fouche changed his

"Your Majesty," said he, loudly, and more rapidly than before, "Lady Isidore Chavarri has just been arrested near the Cemetery of Montmartre, charged with cemetery of Montmartre, charged with a capital crime. She has already been tried by a special tribunal, and con-demned to death. I come to implore Your Majesty to grant her pardon." As he spoke, he fixed an intent, searching gaze upon the Spaniard. This time the bolt had struck. The old man's

tawny face was taking on a sickly hue,

"This is a most unusual proceeding," said the Emperor, in amazement. "Who is this lady, and what is the nature of her crime?"

Fouche bent double with surprise, still keeping his eye riveted upon the tawny, changing face, spoke almost im-

his pocket, cocked it unobserved, and, with a face as that of a corpse, was raising it to fire, with a cry to the Emperor on his lips, when Chavarri, whose mind seemed torn by contending emotions, bent suddenly over his mechanism touched a spring concealed in the rear of the tower, and instantly the whole complicated machinery of the clock stopped with a sudden metallic clang. The music ceased, the automatons paused, standing like statues, each in his place, the mimic Emperor stretching out his hand for the crown of the Cæsars, out his hand for the crown of the Cæsars, and the great bell in the tower poised

ifnal stroke.
"Parbleu!" muttered Fouche, pocketing the pistol and wiping the perspiration from his brow. "Allow me, monsieur," he said, advancing to the table, "to inspect this wonderful specimen of art."
"It is so delicate, monsieur," said
Chavarri, hurriedly, still keeping his finger on the secret spring, and warning Fouche off with his unengaged hand.

in its swing for the twelfth and

"Here is the pardon," said the Emperor, affixing his signature to a paper as he spoke. "I hold you, Fouche, responsible for results. Well, what

"Our worthy friend's clock is broken, it appears," said Fouche.
"Broken, sir," said the Spaniard, "and

with it the plans of a lifetime. And," he added, casting down his eyes, and speaking in a querulous, broken voice, "since when one's hopes are broken one cares but little where he goes, I wish a passport to leave France."

Fouche took up the cue immediately.
"I have to request sir," said he, "that
you also make out a full and free pardon

for the accomplice of the Lady Isadore Chavarri-her father, Don Monsen Chavarri, of Seville."

The Emperor smiled bitterly. His ac-tive mind had already compassed the situation, and without a word, either of expostulation or inquiry, he seized a pen and wrote. Then, having finished and signed the double pardon, he advanced with it in his hand.
"Our friend here," said he, "doubtless

knows where these persons are to be found, and to him I confide these The old man, still jealously keeping the hand on the spring of the mechanism,

"A full permission to Don Monsen and Donna Isadore Chavarri to leave France immediately, without hindrance or

question."
"Add," said he, "and alive." "You would have made a good diplomat," said Napoleon, as he made the re-

quired addition. Chavarri hesitated for a moment, removed his hand lingeringly from the spring, and, bowing his head, glided toward the door. Jest upon the threshold he turned in sudden dismay.

"Where shall I find my daughter?" he asked. "When she is found we will send monsieur word," sneered Fouche. An expression of the most intense ma-

lashed across the old man's face, and with an oath he sprang towards the table in the room. But a pistol confronted him.

'The pardons are forfeited," said Fouche. "No," said the Emperor, "let him

pass."
Chavarri with a look of wonder, wheeled slowly about and disappeared. After his departure Napoleon stood for a short time in the centre of the apartment in a profound reverie. Then as his gaze fell upon the clock, and the automaton standing beneath the sus pended crown within, he bent forward, and regarded the figure attentively.

"So," he said, "this was to have been my successor."

my successor. It is scarcely necessary to add that the clock proved, on examination, to be an infernal machine of the most ingenious and deadly description. Concealed be-neath the metallic slab which formed the pavements of the mimic chapel, and which was constructed to fold back at the proper moment, was found a triple row of small wrought iron barrels, load-ed heavily with slugs and balls, arrang-ed to cover an arc of forty-five degrees, at a distance of twenty yards from the machine. No one within that range could possibly, withstand their discharge

exploded simultaneously, exactly when the hands on the dial indicated the hour of noon; but a spring on the outside of the case gave the manipulator power to alter the "set" of the works, and dis-charge them sooner if necessary.

A few months after the occurrence of

the incidents narrated above, Fouche re-ceived a letter from Chivarri, then in England, written in the vein in which men who have played a desperate game, and lost, write occasionally to those who have outwitted them. The writer stated that the clock was entirely the work of his own hands, and that he and his That this is as admirable in its way as the police system in Paris. There is one mistake, however," he continued, "the great doors of Notre Dame were not open on that occasion. The throne was built against them, and the only entrance was through the transverse halls."

"True, sire," said the fictitious artisan casting a side glance at Fouche, whose name he had just heard pronounced. "True; but Your Majesty will see that it is a mistake unavoidable here. Like the rest of the world, we have been obliged to sacrifice truth in order to secure effect."

daughter alone were concerned in the plot, which had been frustrated by Fouche's promptness. As for himself, he had had little expectation of escaping, having freely resolved to involve himself, if necessery, in the destruction which should overwhelm the Emperor. His daughter, the only person on earth for whom he retained any affection, he could not afford thus to sacrifice. He had made provision elsewhere for her support, and she had departed at as early an hour as possible, while he himself had proceeded to the palace at eleven. No personal danger, no promised honor, daughter alone were concerned in the plot, which had been frustrated by No personal danger, no promised honor, nothing in short but the cunningly devised falsehood regarding his daughter could have induced Chavarri to stop the hands of the fatal clock. He also confessed that it was he who, two years be-fore, had fired the shot in the Rue de Rivoli. Chavarri subsequently died in extreme poverty in London. Of the after fate of his daughter nothing is known. His clock, despoiled of the murderous portion of its, machinery. was preserved for several years in the Tuileries, and was finally destroyed by an accidental fire and the falling of a

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There was an instant of silence, broken only by the ticking and low music of the clock. The second hand was measuring off the sixtieth minute with rapid, steady sweep. Almost unconsciously, Fouche drew a pistol from his pocket, cocked it unobserved, and, with a face as that of a corpse, was rais-

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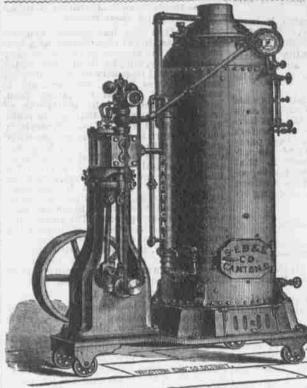
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